

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0013] with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0013] Advantageously, the learning system provides means for a user of the system to learn precisely what the user seeks to learn (i.e., precision learning). In addition, the learning system has the advantage through its use of scenarios of providing highly personalized, user centered, granular, on demand learning. Teachers become tutors that support a user's work as the user ~~beings~~begins to understand what needs to be learned and what tasks need to be performed and what tools can be used to accomplish those tasks by collecting information available on the network and exchanging information with other users using for example the collaborative tools.

Please replace paragraph [0062] with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0062] A function of the linguistic services 230 is to provide comprehension help to users through different contextual levels of translation. At a first level, translation (at 244), spelling (at 236), thesaurus-lookup (at 246), conjugation-lookup involves a ~~strait~~straight forward word-for-word analysis. For example, words typed into the chat tool 210 can be selected and quickly analyzed for mistakes using the first level tools. As shown in Figure 4, conjugations for the highlighted word "swim" 260 (shown in Figure 2) are shown in a separate window in response to selecting the check conjugation button 240.

Please replace paragraph [0069] with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0069] In accordance with another aspect of the invention, semantic disambiguation of the linguistic subsystem 128 and the search subsystem 130 provide an alternative to machine translation by providing a service that extracts meaning of a

specified text and provides example use (at 252), both similar or dissimilar context.

Figure 8 is a flow diagram for carrying out this service for providing example use in an original language in lieu of a translation into a target language. Using the service the pedagogical process is different: instead of providing a user with a translation, the user is instead provided with contextual uses of the word ~~of~~or phrase in the original language.